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## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** August 10, 2017

**TO:** Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents

Public School Academy Directors

District and Local Education Agency Principals

**FROM:** Venessa A. Keesler, Ph.D., Deputy Superintendent

Division of Educator, Student, and School Supports

**SUBJECT:** Educator Effectiveness Ratings Data Appeals Webinar

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE), Office of Educator Talent (OET), is pleased to announce two webinars in collaboration with the Office of Professional Preparation Services (OPPS) and the Center for Educational Performance Information (CEPI). These webinars will take place on August 23, 2017, and will discuss Educator Effectiveness Ratings.

The purpose of these sessions is to prepare districts and educators for the upcoming Educator Effectiveness Label Data Appeals Window from September 1 to December 1, 2017. The hour-long presentation will provide information on the legislation that influences educator evaluation; the impact that educator effectiveness ratings have on certification; how to read effectiveness ratings in MOECS; reasons why certain data may not be seen in MOECS; and the process for submitting an appeal within the Registry of Educational Personnel (REP). The webinars are scheduled for the following times on August 23:

- 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.: Administrators and Authorized REP Users
- 3:30 p.m. 4:30 p.m.: Teachers

Only registered participants can access the live webinar; therefore, participants are encouraged to download the Adobe Connect Add-in prior to the webinar. The link to the add-in is located on the webpage after you complete registration. In addition, the seminar is set to connect participants to the audio on their device. Participants who are unable to access the audio will need to connect via conference call using the following information: Dial In: 866-557-8511 Access Code: 4537919.

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For those unable to participate in the live webinars, recorded versions will be posted to the MDE website at <a href="https://www.michigan.gov/mde-edevals">www.michigan.gov/mde-edevals</a> within two weeks of the event date.

Please register for the 9:00 a.m. Administrators and Authorized REP Users Presentation at the following link:

https://educatortalent.adobeconnect.com/effective/event/registration.html

Registration for the 3:30 p.m. Teachers Presentation can be found here: https://educatortalent.adobeconnect.com/effective2/event/registration.html

To view more information about these events and others sponsored by the OET, please visit our Adobe Connect Event Catalog page at: http://events-

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Please feel free to share this information with all educators and authorized REP users within your district, along with anyone else who may be interested. Further communication about the Educator Effectiveness Ratings Data Appeals Window will be forthcoming. For questions and additional information regarding these webinar topics, please email the Office of Educator Talent at <a href="MDE-edevals@michigan.gov">MDE-edevals@michigan.gov</a>. Participants needing technical assistance on the day of the webinar may contact Yolanda Stephens at 517-241-8966 or via email at <a href="StephensY@michigan.gov">StephensY@michigan.gov</a>.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance